Corpus Christi Texas,

Oct. 17th 1924,

Mr J.C.Collier,
Barnesville,
Ga.

Dear Jess;-

Your letter of Oct. 15th received this A.M. I also received the two papers you mailed me some time ago with the announcement of your success in your political campaign, I am due an apology for my neglect in acknowling the receipt of same, and congratulating you in your success in the campaign issue, I myself have been very buisy, and out of the City most of the time, made several trips to San Antonio in regard to the contract I wrote you about,I beleave there is some parties in the east that or under biding us on the deal, and the present time I dont have any hopes of getting this contract,

My experience in the cotton goods line is limited, my regular line is furniture and undertaking buisness, I am one of the oldest embalmers in Texas, I had to quit this work for a while, I was in Dallas Texas during the Flu.epidemic 1918,I made it all right through the worst of it, on the 4th of Jan. 1919 I taken down with the Flu. I was worked down and the flu. went very hard with me and was lucky to get by with it the Drs told me to lay off the undertaking buisness for a while, I followed it for eighteen years, my health is all O.K. now but I dont want to go back in the house to work,I want road work if I can get lined up with some good house that can deliver the right kind of goods in this line,

I come to this City in Feb. 1919, after two month stay here I felt fine, so I decided to stay, my brother-in-law and I went in the Art goods buisness, which is a mighty good buisness here, doing fine when the 1919 storm come in Sept. of that year, we lost Res. and store ever thing we had, was thankful to get out our selfs, one year after the storm we went back in the same buisness with small captal built up nice buisness in two years, in Feb. 1922 everthing went up by fire, it seames this is a unlucky place for me, I have got to get out a make a nother start,

I have been studing the mohair industry for the last year and I find that the Angora goat will pay more profit on money invested than sheep or cattle, at the present price of mohair, one goat will grow enough mohair to pay itself out in twelve months, I entended to take up this line of industry few month ago, I could not fammance it myself, other partie promised to fammance for me, I leased range on six thousand

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acres of the best goat range in west Texas, second party failed to come up with his agreement to furnish three thousand dollars to start on a small scale, I would move out on this ranch myself and get away from the City life, I would like to borrow some money out of New York City to fammance the deal, but this is out of the guistion ofr me to do, as I have'nt calateral to put to borrow money on now,

Just a little of my life story Jone, and when I come down to see you will tell you great deal more, I expect to come but dont know when,

I was glad to hear from you, I know you are very buisy man, with all that farm to look after,

With best regards to one and all,

Sincerely,

J. J. Sullivan